

IC 20-36-4

Chapter 4. Governor's Scholars Academy

IC 20-36-4-1

"Academy"

Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "academy" refers to the governor's scholars academy established by section 3 of this chapter.

As added by P.L.1-2005, SEC.20.

IC 20-36-4-2

"Advisory board"

Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "advisory board" refers to the advisory board for the governor's scholars academy established by section 5 of this chapter.

As added by P.L.1-2005, SEC.20.

IC 20-36-4-3

Academy established

Sec. 3. The governor's scholars academy is established to administer and operate a public, residential, coeducational school to be held in the summer for high school students in Indiana who are high ability students as described in IC 20-36-1.

As added by P.L.1-2005, SEC.20.

IC 20-36-4-4

Operation of academy; guidelines; department of education duties

Sec. 4. (a) The department shall operate the academy under guidelines that are established by the advisory board and in consideration of the recommendations that are made by the advisory board under section 6 of this chapter.

(b) The department shall:

- (1) employ personnel necessary to operate the academy;
- (2) select the students who will attend the academy;
- (3) hire the faculty for the academy;
- (4) enter into contracts with institutions of higher education or other similar entities for establishing the location or locations of the academy;
- (5) determine the courses that are to be offered at each academy site; and
- (6) take any other action necessary to operate the academy under this chapter.

As added by P.L.1-2005, SEC.20.

IC 20-36-4-5

Advisory board; membership; chairperson; reimbursement; quorum

Sec. 5. (a) An advisory board for the academy is established.

(b) Fifteen (15) members shall be appointed to the advisory board as follows:

- (1) The state superintendent as an ex officio member.

- (2) The chairman of the curriculum committee of the state board as an ex officio member.
- (3) The commissioner of the commission on higher education as an ex officio member.
- (4) Seven (7) members appointed by the state superintendent as follows:
 - (A) Two (2) members who are classroom teachers.
 - (B) Two (2) members who are public school administrators.
 - (C) One (1) member who represents the parents of public school students.
 - (D) Two (2) members who are former students of the academy.
- (5) Five (5) members appointed by the governor as follows:
 - (A) Two (2) representatives from public institutions of higher education in Indiana.
 - (B) One (1) representative from a private institution of higher education in Indiana.
 - (C) Two (2) individuals representing business and industry.
- (c) At the expiration of the terms of the initial appointees, their successors shall be appointed to four (4) year terms beginning on July 1 in the year of their appointments. A member may be reappointed to the advisory board.
- (d) A vacancy in any appointive term under this section shall be filled for the unexpired part of the term by appointment of the officer who appointed the person creating the vacancy.
- (e) On July 1 of each year, the state superintendent shall designate a member to serve as chairperson. The advisory board shall elect other officers annually to serve terms from July 1 through June 30.
- (f) An advisory board member is not entitled to the minimum salary per diem as provided in IC 4-10-11-2.1(b) while performing the member's duties. A member is entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties, as provided in the state travel policies and procedures established by the Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget agency.
- (g) The chairperson shall call the meetings of the advisory board.
- (h) A majority of the advisory board constitutes a quorum for the purpose of doing business.

As added by P.L.1-2005, SEC.20.

IC 20-36-4-6

Advisory board guidelines and recommendations

Sec. 6. (a) The advisory board shall establish the following guidelines:

- (1) The criteria for admission to the academy.
- (2) The maximum number and grade levels of students to be admitted to the academy.
- (3) Rules for selecting students based upon county student populations with the goal of gathering a diverse student body representing as many high schools in the state as possible.

- (4) Criteria and procedures for evaluating the academy.
- (b) The advisory board may make recommendations to the department of education concerning the following:
 - (1) The curriculum to be offered at the academy.
 - (2) The location or locations for the operation of the academy.
 - (3) The length of time during the summer that the academy is to be operational.
 - (4) Any other matter that the advisory board determines to be pertinent to the operation of the academy.

As added by P.L.1-2005, SEC.20.

IC 20-36-4-7

Free tuition, room, and board

Sec. 7. The academy shall provide free tuition, room, and board to students accepted to attend the academy.

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